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DEPT PASS HORN OF AFRICA COLLECTIVE

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PINS, PINT, MOPS, ET, SU
SUBJ: EPLF IN KHARTOUM ANNOUNCE ETHIOPIAN SETBACK
NEAR ASMARA

1. ERITREAN PEOPLES LIBERATION FRONT(EPLF) FOILED ETHIOPIAN
ATTEMPT TO OPEN ASMARA ROAD TO KEREN ON AUGUST 14, ACCORDING
EPLF ANNOUNCEMENT IN KHARTOUM. HEAVY FIGHTING CONTINUES
WEST OF ASMARA WHERE EPLF FORCES CAPTURED ONE TANK AND
DESTROYED THREE OTHERS. IN SEPARATE BATTLE NORTH OF ASMARA,
EPLF KILLED "GREAT NUMBER OF ETHIOPIANS" AND PUSHED THEM
BACK TOWARD ASMARA.

2. COMMENT: SOMETIMES ERITREAN OFFICES IN KHARTOUM HAVE
GOOD INFORMATION BUT WE CANNOT BE CERTAIN THAT ROSY REPORT
IN PARA 1 IS ACCURATE. AT MOMENT THEY ARE EAGER TO ANNOUNCE
SOMETHING OPTIMISTIC TO COUNTER NEWS OF RECENT SETBACKS.
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NOTE BY OC/T: KHARTOUM 3826 NOT PASSED HORN OF AFRICA COLLECTIVE.

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